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| 0-1 | International Application No. | |
| 0-2 | International Filing Date | |
| 0-3 | Name of receiving Office and "PCT International Application" | |
| 0-4 | Form - PCT/RO/101 PCT Request | |
| 0-4-1 | Prepared using | PCT-EASY Version 2.92 (updated 01.06.2002) |
| 0-5 | Petition The undersigned requests that the present international application be processed according to the Patent Cooperation Treaty | |
| 0-6 | Receiving Office (specified by the applicant) | |
| 0-7 | Applicant's or agent's file reference | |
| I | Title of invention ELASTICITY MEASURING DEVICE FOR BIOLOGICAL TISSUE | |
| II | Applicant This person is: applicant only Applicant for all designated States except US Name NIHON UNIVERSITY Address: 8-24, Kudan-minami 4-chome Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 102-8275 Japan | |
| II-6 | State of nationality | |
| II-7 | State of residence | |
| II-8 | Telephone No. | |
| II-9 | Facsimile No. | |
| III-1 | Applicant and/or Inventor This person is: applicant and inventor Applicant for US only Name (LAST, First) OMATA, Sadao Address: c/o NIHON UNIVERSITY 8-24, Kudan-minami 4-chome Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 102-8275 Japan | |
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| III-1-7 | State of residence | |

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| IV-1 | Agent or common representative; or address for correspondence The person identified below is hereby/has been appointed to act on behalf of the applicant(s) before the competent International Authorities as: Name (LAST, First) Address: | agent ISHIHARA, Masanori ISHIHARA & ISHIHARA 4F, Miyamasuzaka ST Building, 8-6, Shibuya 1-chome Shibuya-ku, Tokyo 150-0002 Japan |
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| IV-1-5 | Agent's registration No. | 08578 |
| IV-2 | Additional agent(s) | additional agent(s) with same address as first named agent |
| IV-2-1 | Name(s) | ISHIHARA, Takashi (06336) |
| V | Designation of States | |
| V-1 | Regional Patent (other kinds of protection or treatment, if any, are specified between parentheses after the designation(s) concerned) | AP: GH GM KE LS MW MZ SD SL SZ TZ UG ZM ZW and any other State which is a Contracting State of the Harare Protocol and of the PCT EA: AM AZ BY KG KZ MD RU TJ TM and any other State which is a Contracting State of the Eurasian Patent Convention and of the PCT EP: AT BE BG CH&LI CY CZ DE DK EE ES FI FR GB GR IE IT LU MC NL PT SE SK TR and any other State which is a Contracting State of the European Patent Convention and of the PCT OA: BF BJ CF CG CI CM GA GN GQ GW ML MR NE SN TD TG and any other State which is a member State of OAPI and a Contracting State of the PCT |
| V-2 | National Patent (other kinds of protection or treatment, if any, are specified between parentheses after the designation(s) concerned) | AE AG AL AM AT AU AZ BA BB BG BR BY BZ CA CH&LI CN CO CR CU CZ DE DK DM DZ EC EE ES FI GB GD GE GH GM HR HU ID IL IN IS KE KG KP KR KZ LC LK LR LS LT LU LV MA MD MG MK MN MW MX MZ NO NZ OM PH PL PT RO RU SD SE SG SI SK SL TJ TM TN TR TT TZ UA UG US UZ VC VN YU ZA ZM ZW |

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| V-5 | Precautionary Designation Statement In addition to the designations made under items V-1, V-2 and V-3, the applicant also makes under Rule 4.9(b) all designations which would be permitted under the PCT except any designation(s) of the State(s) indicated under item V-6 below. The applicant declares that those additional designations are subject to confirmation and that any designation which is not confirmed before the expiration of 15 months from the priority date is to be regarded as withdrawn by the applicant at the expiration of that time limit. | | |
| V-6 | Exclusion(s) from precautionary designations NONE | | |
| VI-1 | Priority claim of earlier national application Filing date 29 January 2002 (29.01.2002) VI-1-1 Number 2002-020178 VI-1-2 Country JP | | |
| VII-1 | International Searching Authority Chosen Japan Patent Office (JPO) (ISA/JP) | | |
| VIII | Declarations Number of declarations | | |
| VIII-1 | Declaration as to the identity of the inventor - | | |
| VIII-2 | Declaration as to the applicant's entitlement, as at the international filing date, to apply for and be granted a patent - | | |
| VIII-3 | Declaration as to the applicant's entitlement, as at the international filing date, to claim the priority of the earlier application - | | |
| VIII-4 | Declaration of inventorship (only for the purposes of the designation of the United States of America) - | | |
| VIII-5 | Declaration as to non-prejudicial disclosures or exceptions to lack of novelty - | | |
| IX | Check list number of sheets electronic file(s) attached | | |
| IX-1 | Request (including declaration sheets) 4 - | | |
| IX-2 | Description 19 - | | |
| IX-3 | Claims 4 - | | |
| IX-4 | Abstract 1 EZABST00.TXT | | |
| IX-5 | Drawings 5 - | | |
| IX-7 | TOTAL 33 | | |

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| IX-8 | Accompanying items Fee calculation sheet | paper document(s) attached ✓ | electronic file(s) attached - |
| IX-17 | PCT-EASY diskette | - | Diskette |
| IX-18 | Other (specified): IX-18 Other (specified): | revenue stamps corresponding to fees to be paid certificate of payment of international fee | - |
| IX-19 | Figure of the drawings which should accompany the abstract | 1 | |
| IX-20 | Language of filing of the international application | English | |
| X-1 | Signature of applicant, agent or common representative | | |
| X-1-1 | Name (LAST, First) | ISHIHARA, Masanori | |
| X-2 | Signature of applicant, agent or common representative | | |
| X-2-1 | Name (LAST, First) | ISHIHARA, Takashi | |

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| 10-1 | Date of actual receipt of the purported international application | |
| 10-2 | Drawings: | |
| 10-2-1 | Received | |
| 10-2-2 | Not received | |
| 10-3 | Corrected date of actual receipt due to later but timely received papers or drawings completing the purported international application | |
| 10-4 | Date of timely receipt of the required corrections under PCT Article 11(2) | |
| 10-5 | International Searching Authority | ISA/JP |
| 10-6 | Transmittal of search copy delayed until search fee is paid | |

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| 0-4-1 | PCT-EASY Version 2.92 (updated 01.06.2002) | | |
| 0-9 | Applicant's or agent's file reference DP020708 | | |
| 2 | Applicant NIHON UNIVERSITY, et al. | | |
| 12 | Calculation of prescribed fees | | |
| 12-1 | Transmittal fee | T | ⇒ 18,000 |
| 12-2-1 | Search fee | S | ⇒ 72,000 |
| 12-2-2 | International search to be carried out by | JP | |
| 12-3 | International fee | | |
| | Basic fee (first 30 sheets) | b1 | 47,800 |
| 12-4 | Remaining sheets | 3 | |
| 12-5 | Additional amount (X) | 1,100 | |
| 12-6 | Total additional amount b2 | 3,300 | |
| 12-7 | b1 + b2 = B | 51,100 | |
| 12-8 | Designation fees | | |
| 12-9 | Number of designations contained in international application | 93 | |
| 12-10 | Number of designation fees payable (maximum 5) | 5 | |
| 12-11 | Amount of designation fee (X) | 10,300 | |
| 12-12 | Total designation fees D | 51,500 | |
| 12-13 | PCT-EASY fee reduction R | -14,700 | |
| 12-17 | Total International fee (B+D-R) I | 87,900 | |
| 12-17 | TOTAL FEES PAYABLE (T+S+I+P) | ⇒ 177,900 | |
| 12-19 | Mode of payment | Transmittal fee: revenue stamps Search fee: revenue stamps International fee: bank draft Priority document fee: | |

VALIDATION LOG AND REMARKS

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| 13-2-2 | Validation messages States | Green? More designations could be made. The following States have not been designated: JP. Please verify. |
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| 13-2-7 | Validation messages Contents | Green? The abstract appears to be more than 150 words, applicant is reminded that it should be as concise as the disclosure permits (preferably 50 to 150 words if it is in English or when translated into English) |
| | | Green? Priority 1. The priority document is not enclosed. (The applicant must furnish it within 16 months from the earliest priority date claimed) |
| 13-2-8 | Validation messages Fees | Green? Please confirm that fee schedule utilized is the latest available |
| 13-2-1 1 | Validation messages For receiving Office/International Bureau use only | Green? Verify electronic data for consistency against printed form. |